

# The Changing Face of Mathematical Software

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# International Federation for Information Processing (IFIP)

- Founded 1961 (UNESCO)
- Promotes <u>international cooperation</u> in the R&D of information technologies
- 60 member societies
- Biennial World Computer Congress
- 12 Technical Committees

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#### IFIP TC 2

- Software: Theory and Practice
- 10 working groups
  - WG 2.1 Algorithmic Languages and Calculi
  - WG 2.2 Formal Description of Programming Concepts
  - WG 2.3 Programming Methodology
  - WG 2.4 Software Implementation Technology
  - WG 2.5 <u>Numerical Software</u>
  - WG 2.6 Database
  - WG 2.7 (= WG 13.4) User Interface Engineering
  - WG 2.8 Functional Programming
  - WG 2.9 Software Requirements Engineering
  - WG 2.10 Software Architecture

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# IFIP Working Group 2.5

- Numerical Software
- Aim: to improve the quality of numerical computation by promoting the development and availability of sound numerical software
- ~30 members from 13 countries (plus 18 affiliates)



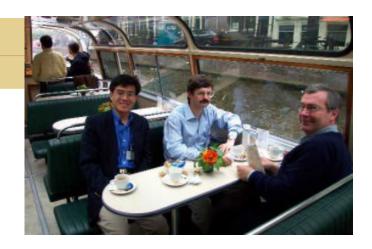
### Yearly Meetings



- Recent venues
  - Ottawa, Canada, 2000
  - Amsterdam, The Netherlands, 2001
  - Portland, Oregon, USA, 2002
  - Strobl, Austria, 2003
- Associated "regional" workshop
  - Opportunity to advertise WG 2.5 work and to hear about local activities, concerns



#### Activities



- Information exchange
- Participation in programming language standardization/improvement processes
- Current project: joint book on Accuracy and Reliability in Scientific Computing
- Working Conferences



# Working Conferences



- Eight held
- Topical, recent examples ...
  - The Quality of Numerical Software: Assessment and Enhancement, Oxford, 1996
  - The *Architecture of Scientific Software*, Ottawa, Canada, 2000
- Published proceedings (IFIP Press)



#### For more information on WG 2.5, see

http://www.nsc.liu.se/wg25/



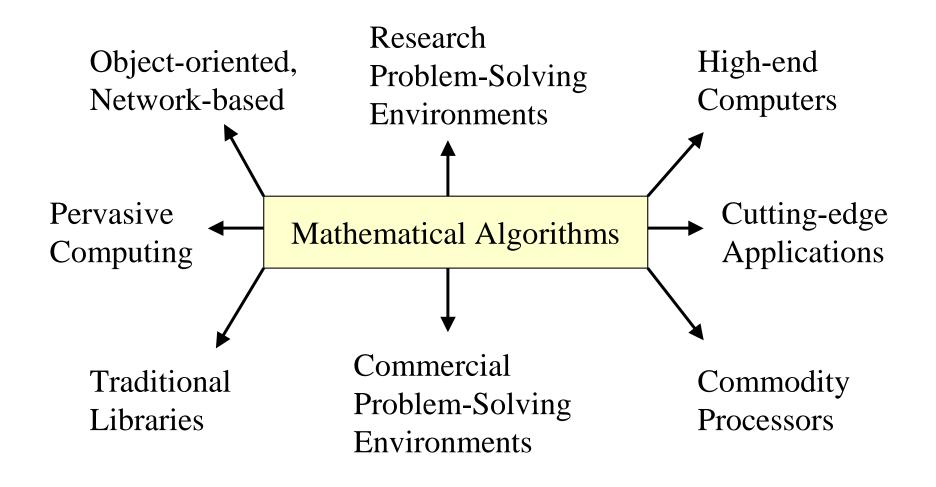








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# Changing Face of Math Software

- New environment changes
  - Users of mathematical algorithms
  - How algorithms are delivered
  - Expectations for performance, quality
- How are developers of mathematical algorithms and software coping with this new environment?
- Are we up to the challenge?



# Plan for Workshop

#### Thursday

■ 09:15 - 10:45 Talks

■ 10:45 - 11:00 Break

■ 11:00 - 12:30 Talks

■ 12:30 - 14:00 Lunch

14:00 - 15:30 Talks

■ 15:30 - 16:00 Break

■ 16:00 - 17:30 Talks

Dinner on own

#### Friday

9:00 - 10:30 Talks

■ 10:30 - 11:00 Break

■ 11:00 - 12:30 Talks

■ 13:00 Adjourn



# Logistics

- Breakfast, refreshments provided during breaks
  - Additional snacks available on 5th floor
  - Outdoor terrace open near elevators
- Lunch, dinner -- on your own
  - many choices within walking distance
  - see information packet for suggestions



#### **Thanks**



- IFIP Working Group 2.5
- National Institute of Standards and Technology
- George Washington University

#### People

- Robin Bickel, NIST
- Abdou Youssef, GWU





09:15 *Numerical Algorithms for Posterity*Brian Ford (NAG Ltd.)

10:00 MATRAN - A Fortran 95 Wrapper for Matrix OperationsPete Stewart (University of Maryland)

10:45 Break

Resume at 11:00



11:00 Performance Evaluation of Java for Numerical Computing
Roldan Pozo (NIST)

11:45 The ACTS Collection: Functionality and Lessons Learned
Tony Drummond (Lawrence Berkeley Lab)

12:30 Lunch (attendees on own)

Resume at 14:00



14:00 Standard Problems and Public Code for MicromagneticsMichael Donahue (NIST)

14:45 *OOF: Object-Oriented Modeling of Material Microstructure*Charles on Language (NICT)

Stephen Langer (NIST)

15:30 Break (with refreshments)

Resume at 16:00



16:00 Software for Solving Elliptic PDEs with Parallel Adaptive Multi-level Methods
William Mitchell (NIST)

16:45 Network/Grid Computing: Modeling, Algorithm, and SoftwareMo Mu (Hong Kong Univ. of Sci. & Tech.)

17:30 Adjourn for day



# Friday, June 4

09:00 Software for Differential Equations: Accurate Approximate Solutions are Often Not Enough Wayne Enright (University of Toronto)

09:45 Solving Singularly Perturbed ODE Boundary Value Problems using Symbolic/Numeric Techniques

Ian Gladwell (Southern Methodist University)

10:30 Break

Resume at 11:00



# Friday, June 4

- 11:00 Representing Mathematical Knowledge in the Digital Library of Mathematical Functions

  Bruce Miller (NIST)
- 11:45 Search in Mathematical Databases
  Abdou Youssef (George Washington Univ.)
- 12:30 Closing Remarks/Discussion



# Thanks for Participating!

- IFIP WG 2.5 appreciates the interactions with speakers and attendees
- Contact me if you want to communicate issues, concerns to the Working Group
  - Boisvert@nist.gov
  - http://nsc.liu.se/wg25/
- Have a safe trip home.